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Mr. Darin Olson ECDC Environmental, LC 1111 West Highway 123 P. O. Box 69 East Carbon, Utah 84520

Re: Site Inspection, ECDC Environmental, LC, ECDC Clay Mine, M/015/062, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Olson:

On September 6, 2001, Tony Gallegos and I conducted an inspection of the ECDC Clay Mine. A copy of the inspection report is enclosed. I am very concerned about the lack of sediment control for the site and the proximity of the disturbance to the Price River. This section of the Price River is habitat for the Colorado pikeminnow, a threatened species. The inspection report outlines certain actions that need to be started immediately to remedy this situation.

I would be happy to meet with you at the site to discuss these issues, and I could also discuss them with you by telephone. I will visit the site the next time I am in the area. Please call me at 801-538-5261 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

Senior Reclamation Biologist

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